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A change is on the way

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The early autumn sunshine will continue for many over the next few days, but a change is on the way.

Monday (27th Sept 2021) will see a shift in our weather, with an active weather front bringing heavy rain and blustery winds as it pushes in from the west across the UK.

Expert Met Office Meteorologist, Adam Thornhill, said; “For the rest of this week and for the weekend, we will continue to see low pressure systems bringing blustery weather to the north of the UK whereas further south the drier, warmer weather remains thanks to the influence of high pressure extending up from the Azores”.

“However, a shift in the position of the jet stream brings a change in our weather next week, allowing a cold front associated with a low-pressure system in the North Atlantic to spread eastwards bringing wet and windy conditions across the whole country throughout Monday. Behind the cold front, conditions will feel much more autumnal with a cooler feel and blustery showers for many”.

Although we will expect to see a dip in temperature next week, back to normal or just below normal for the time of year, temperatures are expected to slowly recover to above average as we move into October.

Wind Speeds

Next week will have a more autumnal feel with gusty winds across many areas of the country. This is in sharp contrast to recent weeks which have seen many areas experiencing below average wind speeds. In fact this summer, some regions, saw their lowest average wind speeds for 20 years, while last winter, spring and summer saw below average wind speeds for the UK as a whole.

In the UK our weather predominantly comes from the west, weather systems crossing the Atlantic bring moist and often windy weather to our shores. However, the positioning of high- and low-pressure systems has led to a weakening at times of the usual westerly air flow across the UK resulting in calmer and dryer than normal conditions. Rainfall for August and September so far has also been below normal for England and Wales.

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